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## Department of Environmental Quality



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## DEQ ANNOUNCES 2001 – 2002 LITTER ABATEMENT AWARDS

**T**he Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) has selected 18 applicants to receive contract award money from the state's Litter Abatement Program for 2001 – 2002. The money for the program is funded with \$200,000.00 in state general funds appropriated by the Louisiana Legislature. A minimum local match is also required. This year, seventy-nine proposals were received from across Louisiana requesting funds totaling \$1,034,468.00.

The program provides support for community-based litter abatement programs operated by non-profit organizations, local governments, and quasi-governmental units.

"DEQ is pleased to assist local governments and community organizations with litter abatement," noted DEQ Secretary J. Dale Givens. "While many of these efforts involve cleanup, others focus on education that targets both parents and children."

DEQ has seen an increased interest in the Litter Abatement Program over the past three years because of a growing concern regarding the litter problem in the state. Consequently, funding requests have nearly doubled.

Money for this program assists communities in creating strong litter abatement programs by combining the three components of **education, enforcement and cleanups**. In recent years, DEQ's Litter Abatement Program has assisted many communities around the state in cleanups, educational programs, and enforcement matters pertaining to litter abatement. Each year brings an expanding interest among local governments, communities, and grassroots organizations to keep Louisiana beautiful.

Contract award recipients for 2001- 2002 include: \*

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| -- | Calcasieu Parish Police Jury .....                         | \$12,500    |
| -- | Cenla Pride (Alexandria) .....                             | \$28,000    |
| -- | City of Crowley .....                                      | \$4,650.50  |
| -- | City of Hammond .....                                      | \$101,000   |
| -- | City of Leesville .....                                    | \$12,500    |
| -- | City of Mandeville .....                                   | \$50,475    |
| -- | City of Monroe .....                                       | \$38,025    |
| -- | City of West Monroe .....                                  | \$14,463    |
| -- | City of Natchitoches.....                                  | \$21,200    |
| -- | East Carroll Parish Sheriff's Office .....                 | \$5,350     |
| -- | Jackson Parish Police Jury.....                            | \$18,000    |
| -- | Jefferson Parish Department of Environmental Affairs ..... | \$12,500    |
| -- | Keep Baton Rouge Beautiful, Inc. ....                      | \$12,500    |
| -- | Lafayette Consolidated Government .....                    | \$13,607.20 |
| -- | Livingston Parish.....                                     | \$33,079    |
| -- | Sabine Parish Chamber of Commerce.....                     | \$12,875    |
| -- | Swamp Eyes (St. Rose).....                                 | \$9,388     |
| -- | Union Parish Police Jury .....                             | \$117,802   |

\* **Grant Amount Request + Minimum Required Local Match (25%), or more = Project Total**